## **MEMORANDUM**

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(22)

TO:

FROM:

Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro

DATE:

January 25, 2007

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

Murray A. Greenberg

County Attorney

**SUBJECT**: Resolution Urging

Congress to Expand the

Section 8 Housing Voucher

Program

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Katy Sorenson.

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Ple	ase note any items checked.
	"4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
	6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
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	Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
	Budget required
	Statement of fiscal impact required
	Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
	Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
	Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
	No committee review

Approved	Mayor	Agenda Item No.	11(A)(22)
Veto		01-25-07	
Override			
	RESOLUTION NO.		

## RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS TO EXPAND THE SECTION 8 HOUSING VOUCHER PROGRAM

WHEREAS, affordable housing has reached a crisis in our community and communities around the nation; and

WHEREAS, the Section 8 housing voucher program is the leading source of federal housing assistance for extremely low-income families; and

WHEREAS, two-thirds of Section 8 housing vouchers issued in any year go to families with children, with the remainder predominantly going to people with disabilities and the elderly; and

WHEREAS, nearly one million families with children are currently served by the voucher program, almost twice the number of families with children in the public housing program; and

WHEREAS, Section 8 housing vouchers provide one way to help low and moderate income individuals and families obtain adequate housing; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County and other major housing agencies have thousands of families on their waiting lists for Section 8 housing vouchers,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board:

<u>Section 1.</u> Urges the United States Congress to expand the Section 8 housing voucher program to help alleviate the affordable housing crisis that Miami-Dade County and other communities around the nation currently are facing.

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Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the members of the Miami-Dade County Congressional Delegation.

Section 3. Directs the County's federal lobbyists to advocate for the passage of the legislation set forth in Section 1 above, and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to include this item in the 2007 Federal Legislative Package.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Katy Sorenson and offered by

Commissioner , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by

Commissioner and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Bruno A. Barreiro, Chairman Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman

Jose "Pepe" Diaz Carlos A. Gimenez Joe A. Martinez

Joe A. Martinez Dorrin D. Rolle Katy Sorenson

Sen. Javier D. Souto

Audrey M. Edmonson

Sally A. Heyman Dennis C. Moss

Natacha Seijas Rebeca Sosa

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 25th day of January, 2007. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By:	
Deputy C	lerk

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.



Jess M. McCarty

